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DOE TO SELL UP TO 200 METRIC TONS URANIUM HEXAFLUORIDE

Cincinnati, OH - The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) today announced the solicitation of proposals for the sale of up to 200 metric tons (MTU), Natural Uranium Hexafluoride (UF₆). The uranium will be sold in eight separate lots: one lot of 100 MTUs, two lots of 30 MTUs apiece, and five lots of 7.7 MTUs apiece, with delivery made at the Paducah, Kentucky Gaseous Diffusion Plant. Proceeds from the sale will be used to remediate the Department's contaminated uranium inventories.

Under agreements with the U.S. Enrichment Corporation (USEC), DOE has funded USEC's clean up of DOE Tc99-contaminated inventory of UF₆ as a cost avoidance of future cleanup costs. This activity is planned to be completed in September 2008 with project closeout in early Fiscal Year 2009.

Proposals are due August 17, 2007; the anticipated award date of the Sales Agreement is August 31, 2007. This solicitation is for full and open competition, with full payments for the eight lots of uranium due on September 21, 2007.

This will be the final sale conducted under the authority of Section 314 of the FY2006 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act as reenacted by the 2007 Revised Continuing Appropriations Resolution, P.L. 110-5. The RFP and supporting information are available at <http://www.pr.doe.gov>, the Department of Energy's Industry Interactive Procurement System (IIPS) web site.

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